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Hydrocarbon Contained in Diesel Particulate

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

October 16, 2008

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 16, 2008, in connection with the above-identified application.

In response to the restriction requirement in the outstanding Office Action, Applicant elects the invention of Group I, including claims 1-4 and 9-12, drawn to an apparatus for analyzing nitropolycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon.

In response to the election of species requirement in the outstanding Office Action, Applicant elects Species I, as disclosed in paragraph 0018. Claims 1, 3, 4 and 9 read on the elected species and are also generic to both species.

Examination of the elected invention in due course is requested.

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